

Influence of Al and Al₂O₃ Nanoparticles on the Thermal Decay of 1,3,5-Trinitro-1,3,5-triazinane (RDX): Reactive Molecular Dynamics Simulations

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Supporting Information

Table S1. Moment (t_D) at which RDX molecules undergo 50 % and 100 % decomposition.

T (K)	Model	t_D (ps)	
		50 %	100 %
1500	Al-RDX	1.85	125
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	10.1	137.35
	Void-RDX	26.95	197.45
	RDX	29.9	189.5
2000	Al-RDX	0.72	47.8
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	3.45	36.75
	Void-RDX	4.3	37.7
	RDX	3.3	22.85
2500	Al-RDX	0.78	26
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	1.9	18.15
	Void-RDX	1.6	17.3
	RDX	0.95	8.85
3000	Al-RDX	0.77	14.8
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	1.15	11.15
	Void-RDX	0.9	7.95
	RDX	0.7	3.8
3500	Al-RDX	0.67	9.6
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	0.82	8.3
	Void-RDX	0.6	4.8
	RDX	0.46	2.4

Table S2. Total number (N) of molecules of the four models approaching the final equilibrium state at 2500 and 3500 K.

T (K)	Model	N
2500	Al-RDX	2424
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	2692
	Void-RDX	2820
	RDX	3443
3500	Al-RDX	2544
	Al ₂ O ₃ -RDX	2875
	Void-RDX	2930
	RDX	3565

Video 1. ReaxFF-MD simulations of a single RDX molecule adsorbing onto the Al (001) surface at 1 K for 6 ps.

Video 2. ReaxFF-MD simulations of a single RDX molecule adsorbing onto the Al (001) surface at 5 K for 6 ps.

Video 3. ReaxFF-MD simulations of a single RDX molecule adsorbing onto the Al₂O₃ (0001) surface for 6 ps. Programmed heating was performed from 1 K to 1000 K within 6 ps.

Video 4. ReaxFF-MD simulations of a single RDX molecule adsorbing onto the Al₂O₃ (0001) surface at 300 K for 6 ps.

Video 5. ReaxFF-MD simulations of a single RDX molecule in vacuum at 2000 K for 10 ps.

Table S3. High frequent reactions leading to the final generation of N₂.

1500 K		3500 K	
Reactions	Freqs.	Reactions	Freqs.
CH ₂ ON ₂ =>CH ₂ O +N ₂	19	N ₂ O =>N ₂ +O	48
CH ₂ O ₂ N ₂ =>CH ₂ O +N ₂ +O	10	CHON ₂ =>CHO +N ₂	43
N ₂ O =>N ₂ +O	9	CH ₂ N ₂ =>CH ₂ +N ₂	19
CH ₃ ON ₂ =>CH ₃ O +N ₂	9	CON ₂ =>CO +N ₂	18
CH ₂ O ₃ N ₃ =>CH ₂ O +N ₂ +NO ₂	5	HN ₂ +O ₂ =>HO ₂ +N ₂	18
C ₃ H ₆ O ₂ N ₆ =>C ₃ H ₆ O ₂ N ₄ +N ₂	5	HON ₂ =>HO +N ₂	18
CHON ₄ =>CHON ₂ +N ₂	5	CHO ₂ +N ₂ =>CO ₂ +HN ₂	17
CHON ₂ =>CHO +N ₂	5	CHON+CN ₃ =>C ₂ HON ₂ +N ₂	15
CH ₂ O ₂ N ₂ =>CH ₂ O ₂ +N ₂	5	CHON +HN ₂ =>CH ₂ ON +N ₂	14
CH ₂ ON ₃ =>CH ₂ ON +N ₂	5	CO ₂ N ₂ =>CO ₂ +N ₂	12
C ₃ H ₅ O ₃ N ₆ =>C ₃ H ₅ O ₃ N ₄ +N ₂	5	HN ₂ +HO =>H ₂ O +N ₂	12

$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{N}_2 \Rightarrow \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2 + \text{N}_2$	4	$\text{CON}_3 \Rightarrow \text{CON} + \text{N}_2$	12
$\text{HON}_2 \Rightarrow \text{HO} + \text{N}_2$	4	$\text{CH}_2\text{ON}_3 \Rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{ON} + \text{N}_2$	11
$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{N}_3 \Rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{ON} + \text{HO} + \text{N}_2$	4	$\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{HN}_2 \Rightarrow \text{H}_3\text{O} + \text{N}_2$	11
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2\text{N}_5 \Rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2\text{N}_3 + \text{N}_2$	4	$\text{CH}_2\text{ON}_2 \Rightarrow \text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{N}_2$	11
$\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2\text{N}_6 \Rightarrow \text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{O}_2\text{N}_4 + \text{N}_2$	4	$\text{CON} + \text{HN}_2 \Rightarrow \text{CHON} + \text{N}_2$	10